

REMARKS

By way of the foregoing amendments, Claims 4 and 5 have been amended to delete multiple dependencies, and new Claims 13-17 have been added. In addition, the original claims have been amended to delete the reference numerals, to delete the "characterized in that" language and to make several other minor wording changes for purposes of consistency in the claim language and to better present the claims in a manner more closely corresponding to standard U.S. practice. No new matter has been introduced by these changes and the amendments do not narrow the claim scope.

It is requested that the application be examined on the basis of the claims as amended.

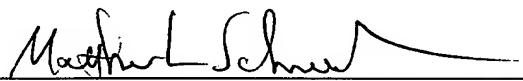
Early and favorable consideration with respect to this application is respectfully requested.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application, the undersigned respectfully requests that he be contact at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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